



**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

Roll Call

Present: Alderman Johnson, Alderman Masi, Secretary Green, Alderwoman Wray

Absent: Alderman Tobin

Approval of Minutes

Approve minutes of February 6, 2024

Motion by: Alderman Masi **Seconded by:** Alderman Green

AYES: Alderman Johnson, Alderman Masi, Alderman Green, Alderwoman Wray

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

New Business

Local Law #1 of 2024: A Local Law Allowing Delinquent Overgrown Vegetation, Snow Removal, Garbage Can, Bulk Pick-Up, Dead Tree Removal, And Building Demolition Charges To Be Releived Into Real Property Tax Bills

LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2024

A LOCAL LAW ALLOWING DELINQUENT OVERGROWN VEGETATION, SNOW REMOVAL, GARBAGE CAN, BULK PICK-UP, DEAD TREE REMOVAL, AND BUILDING DEMOLITION CHARGES TO BE RELEVIED INTO REAL PROPERTY TAX BILLS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Purpose of this Enactment.

The purpose of this enactment is to allow delinquent overgrown vegetation, snow removal, garbage can, bulk pick-up, dead tree removal, and building demolition charges to be re-levied into real property tax bills.

Section 2. *Section 79 of the Charter of the City of Middletown is hereby amended to add a new Paragraph 4, to read in its entirety as follows:*

Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 1, above, in this Section, and notwithstanding any other provision in this Charter, any overgrown vegetation, snow removal, garbage can, bulk pick-up, dead tree removal, or building demolition charge not received by the Treasurer by its due date shall be considered delinquent, and shall be levied, together with late-payment fees, into the general city property tax at the time of the next levy. Such amounts shall be indicated in a separate column on the tax roll issued against the subject real property. Such re-levied overgrown vegetation, snow removal, garbage can, bulk pick-up, dead tree removal, and building demolition liens shall be subject to the same penalties imposed for the nonpayment of City taxes, and shall be collected in the same manner as provided in this Charter for the collection and enforcement of delinquent property taxes.

Section 3. *Severability.*

If the provisions of any article, section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Local Law shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any article, section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Local Law.

Section 4. *Effective Date.*

This Local Law shall be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Motion by: Alderman Masi **Seconded by:** Alderman Green

AYES: Alderman Johnson, Alderman Masi, Alderman Green, Alderwoman Wray

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Authorization to Amend City Code ordinances to Provide for a Student Transport Medallion

WHEREAS, at the recommendation of the Police Department, the Common Council wishes to amend the City of Middletown's taxicab ordinances to provide for a student transport medallion, and

NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Middletown as follows:

Section 1. *Chapter 433 of the Code of the City of Middletown, Taxicabs, is hereby amended by adding a new Subsection F to Section 433-14, License Plate and Card, to read as follows:*

F. Student transport taxicab license. Owners of vehicles larger than a four-door sedan or station wagon that are used to lawfully transport children to and from schools must apply for a student transport taxicab license. Such applicants must comply with all of the requirements of this section and chapter, except the auction provisions contained in § 433-24D(3) and the rate card provisions contained in § 433-20B, and except as otherwise provided in this chapter. The fee for a student transport taxicab license shall be \$300. Student transport taxicab licenses shall be limited to 15 and are not transferable. Such licenses shall be issued as of April 1 in each and every year and shall expire on the March 31 next succeeding, unless sooner suspended or revoked. A student transport taxicab license must be issued for a specific vehicle, and shall not be used for any other vehicle, except by permission of the Chief of Police or his designee. A violation of any

provision of this subsection shall result in the revocation of the student transport taxicab license, as well as subject the violator to any of the penalties provided in Section 433-27 of this chapter.

Section 2. Chapter 433 of the Code of the City of Middletown, Taxicabs, is hereby amended by adding a new Paragraph (6) to Subsection C of Section 433-13, Inspection before licensing vehicles; insurance, to read as follows:

(6) Student transport vehicles. Student transport vehicles licensed pursuant to the provisions of § 433-14F of this chapter must be inspected in accordance with all of the provisions of Subsection B and Subsection C(1) through (4), above.

Section 3. Chapter 433 of the Code of the City of Middletown, Taxicabs, is hereby amended by adding a new sentence at the end of Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of Section 433-20, Rates of fare, to read as follows:

The provisions of this Subsection shall also not apply to any provider of student transport services who has received a student transport license pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

Section 4. Chapter 433 of the Code of the City of Middletown, Taxicabs, is hereby amended by adding a new sentence at the end of Paragraph (1) of Subsection C of Section 433-20, Rates of fare, to read as follows:

The provisions of this Subsection shall also not apply to any provider of student transport services who has received a student transport license pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Motion by: Alderman Masi **Seconded by:** Alderman Green

AYES: Alderman Johnson, Alderman Masi, Alderman Green, Alderwoman Wray

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Adjournment

Motion by: Alderman Johnson **Seconded by:** Alderman Masi

AYES: Alderman Johnson, Alderman Masi, Secretary Green, Alderwoman Wray

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None